

For many middle school students, making the connection between what they learn in the classroom and what employers expect on the job can seem like an impossible task. **Junior School Counts!** helps students make that connection and possibly get them on a track to earn a college scholarship, too!

Students enrolled in *Junior School Counts!* must adhere to the following criteria:

## Junior School Counts!

### Criteria:

- 1 Be enrolled as a 7th or 8th grade student
- 1 Earn a grade of “C” or higher in every course
- 1 Achieve a 95 percent attendance and punctuality record

Seventh and eighth grade students who meet the criteria will receive a *Junior School Counts!* certificate at the end of each school year.

Participation in *Junior School Counts!* helps prepare students for *School Counts!* at the high school level. Like its junior version, *School Counts!* rewards students for punctuality, good attendance and good grades. When *School Counts!*

students achieve the criteria standards every year for all four years of high school, they are automatically eligible for a full tuition scholarship to Salem Community College!

**For more information or to obtain an application, please visit your school counselor.**

## **Junior School Counts! partners:**

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